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Closed Sun. & Mon.
Tues. 12 - 5pm
Wed. & Thur. 12 - 8pm
Fri. & Sat. 12 - 9pm
(510) 849-2215 (new number!)

Café de la Paz
Open for dinner everyday from 5pm
Now open for brunch Sat. & Sun from 9:30am-2pm
(510) 843-0662

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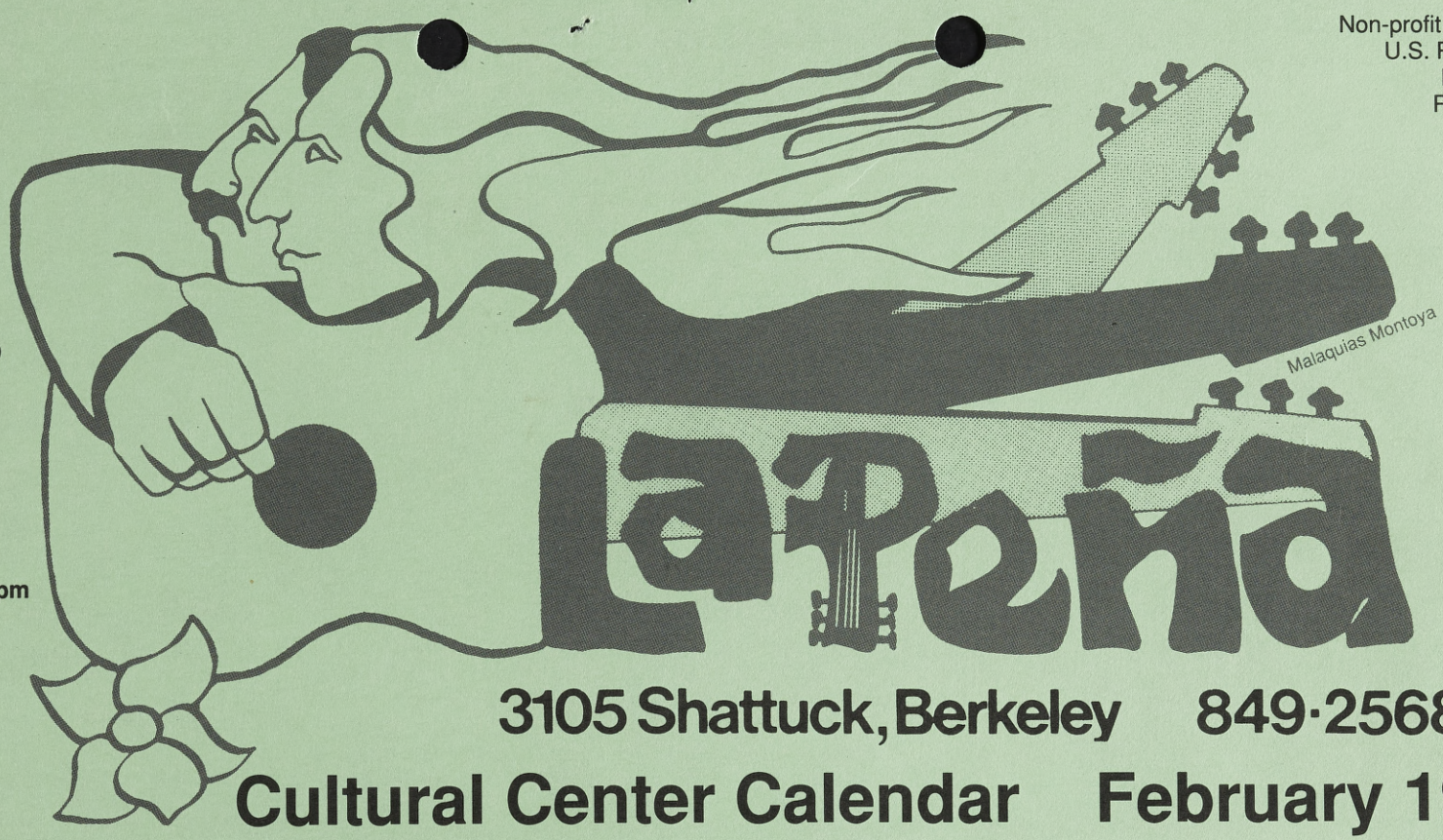
La Peña is wheelchair accessible.



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Cultural Center Calendar February 1992

La Peña Cultural Center gratefully acknowledges funding support for our artistic programs from the following: Alameda County Arts Commission, California Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts, Zellerbach Family Fund, Berkeley Civic Arts Commission, Audience Development Initiative (Fleishhacker, Haas,Gerbode, and S.F. Grants for the Arts). and San Francisco Foundation, Cheveron Employee Involvement Fund.

La Peña Children's Programs
All programs start at 10:30am • $3 adults $2 kids

Sat. 2: Amiguitos de la Peña presents **Merrill Collins** and guest African drummer »»»»»»»and dancers to perform original audience participation songs with global themes.
Sat. 8: **Alisa Peres** and **Maxina Ventura** perform songs from Appalachia to the »»»»»»»Andes.
Sat. 15: Amiguitos de la Peña presents movement and dancing with **Linda »»»»»»»»Harrour** and songs with **Nancy Raven**
Sat. 22: Plum City Players with **Annie, Nancy,** and **Bonnie**
Sat. 29: Amiguitos de La Peña presents **Denys Adida** with puppets and stories.

Special Sunday Kids' Show
Gemini, on tour from Michigan
Sunday February 9 • 4pm $5 adults $3 kids

"If the Pied Piper had been twins, odds are he would have been Gemini."
- The Detroit News

On tour from Michigan, kids and adults will enjoy the rousing sing-alongs, hand motions songs, and music from around the world. They have received the Parents Choice Magazine Award for their recording

DOM - SUN	LUN - MON	MAR - TUE	MIER - WED	JUEV-THURS	VIER - FRI	SAB - SAT
2 DANCE PERFORMANCE **"Festa de Yemanja"** One of Candomblé's most important festivals is celebrated in Salvador, Bahia on this day. Come to honor Yemanja, the mother goddess of the ocean waters, with **Oxumaré**, traditional Afro-Brazilian music and dance group. Special dance workshop to start (must wear white to participate) **7:30pm $7**	**3** Free Latin American music workshops. See back of calendar for listings. Café de la Paz is open everyday from 5pm.	**4** Latin American Chorus meets at 8pm Visit La Tienda for Latin American recordings, books in Spanish, crafts, greeting cards, posters, t-shirts and more. La Tienda's schedule: Tues: 12pm - 5pm Wed & Thur: 12pm - 8pm Fri & Sat: 12pm - 9pm Café de la Paz open from 5pm.	**5** VIDEO **Venceremitos** (1990, 60 min., color, bilingual) Kids from around the world encountering each other at Cuba's month-long International Youth Festival. Director Gail Dolgin will be present. **La Brigada Venceremos–13ra Contingente** (1983, 60 min., color, bilingual) A documentary about the brigades and their experiences in Cuba. Proceeds benefit scholarships to Cuba. **7:30pm $3-$5 ***	**6** STORYTELLING In celebration of the art of the spoken word, storyteller Belinda Sullivan resurrects Fright Night II: The Return of Thadeus Dockrey. In this showcase performance, meet an entire troupe of characters as they come alive through the voice of the teller. Take a journey down the dark way...but hell has never been so frighteningly hell-arious! Not recommended for kids under 8 years old. **7:30pm $7-$10**	**7** CONCERT **Yassir Chadly** A celebration of tradtional Moroccan music. Powerful vocals and rhythms featuring **Yassir Chadly** of Casablanca. The music will be played on North African instruments such as the *oud*, *gambri*, Moroccan banjo, and other instruments from the region. Moroccan pottery, made by Yassir and Khadijah Chadly will be on display for purchase. **8pm $7**	**1** Sat. Morn. Kids Shows (see box at left) Salsa classes with Linda Arizona 2-4pm **Charanga, Tumbao y Cuerdas Great Cuban dance music!** **9:30pm $8**
9 Peace Tile Painting for Mid-East section of Berkeley Peace Wall. 4-6pm in Café. Middle Eastern dinner, 6-8pm. **Special Kids Concert with Gemini 4pm** BENEFIT CONCERT The Latina group, **Mujerio**, invites you for a benefit concert with Mercedes Troncoso & friends. Also featuring the Brazilian capoeira group Abadá. **7pm $7-$10***	**10** Free Latin American music workshops. See back of calendar for listings. Café de la Paz is open everyday from 5pm.	**11** Latin American Chorus meets at 8pm Visit La Tienda for Latin American recordings, books in Spanish, crafts, greeting cards, posters, t-shirts and more. La Tienda's schedule: Tues: 12pm - 5pm Wed & Thur: 12pm - 8pm Fri & Sat: 12pm - 9pm Café de la Paz open from 5pm.	**12** No Evening Program Visit La Tienda for Latin American recordings, books in Spanish, crafts, greeting cards, posters, t-shirts and more. La Tienda's schedule: Tues: 12pm - 5pm Wed & Thur: 12pm - 8pm Fri & Sat: 12pm - 9pm Café de la Paz open from 5pm.	**13** SLIDES **Palestine, A Photographic Journey** George Baramki Azar, who has covered the Middle East for the past decade, will present a slide show with images from his highly-acclaimed book, as well as images never shown before from Beirut, Iran, and Iraq. Discussion to follow. **7:30pm $3-10 ***	**14** CONCERT **Memorial for Carlos Briceño** On Jan. 7 the Bay Area lost a fine Venezuelan musician and a wonderful person in a tragic motorcycle accident. Friends of Carlos from the following groups come together to pay him tribute: Coro Hispano, La Peña Chorus, Todo América, Grupo Campana, Bienmesabe, and Altazor. Proceeds will be sent to Carlos' family in Venezuela. **8pm $7***	**8** Sat. Morn. Kids Show (see box at left) Salsa classes with Linda Arizona 2-4pm **DJ DANCE with KPFA's Rhythm Drive Host José Ruiz** **Salsa Dance Night** **9:30pm $5**
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23 CONCERT **Chic Street Man** (of the hit play **Spunk**) and **Street Sounds** share a program in celebration of Black History Month with a variety of African American musical styles from rhythm & blues to gospel to civil rights songs. **7:30pm $8**	**24** Free Latin American music workshops. See back of calendar for listings. Café de la Paz is open everyday from 5pm.	**25** Latin American Chorus. Meets at 8pm. Visit La Tienda for Latin American recordings, books in Spanish, crafts, greeting cards, posters, t-shirts and more. La Tienda's schedule: Tues: 12pm - 5pm Wed & Thur: 12pm - 8pm Fri & Sat: 12pm - 9pm Café de la Paz open from 5pm.	**26** No Evening Program Visit La Tienda for Latin American recordings, books in Spanish, crafts, greeting cards, posters, t-shirts and more. La Tienda's schedule: Tues: 12pm - 5pm Wed & Thur: 12pm - 8pm Fri & Sat: 12pm - 9pm Café de la Paz open from 5pm.	**27** BOOK RELEASE CELEBRATION Celebrate Guatemalan Mayan New Year at a music, poetry, and video party for John Curl's book **Columbus in the Bay of Pigs**, published by Homeward Press & Inkworks. Reading by the author plus screening of the video "The Columbus Invasion". **7:30pm $2-$10 *** Special dinner in Café. Part of proceeds to benefit Homeward Press.	**28** POETRY & STORYTELLING **Black Poets with Attitudes** Back by popular demand with new literary delights! Five women with five ways (or more) to bring Black poetry and storytelling to the level you've only dared to dream about. If you think poetry is dull, think again! Featured are: Abimbola Adama, Joy Holland, Wanda Sabir, Avotcja, and Beverly Jarrett. **8:30pm $7**	**29** Sat. Morn. Kids Show (see box at top left) Salsa classes with Linda Arizona 2-4pm **¡A bailar!** **Los Compas** **A blend of salsa, son, corridos and Tex-Mex dance music** **9:30pm $8**

Celebrate Black History Month

Freedom
Freedom will not come
Today, this year
Nor ever
Through compromise and fear.

I have as much right
As the other fellow has
To stand
On my own two feet
And own the land.

I tire so of hearing people say,
Let things take their course.
Tomorrow is another day.
I do not need my freedom when I'm dead.
I cannot live on tomorrow's bread.

Freedom
Is a strong seed
Planted
In a great need.
I live here, too.
I want freedom
Just as you.

–Langston Hughes

Free Geronimo Pratt!
For more information call the International Committee to Free Geronimo Pratt at (510) 268-0979

Dual Vision, print by Ronnie Prosser

New Book Arrivals at La Tienda

Double Stitch: Black Women Write About Mothers and Daughters, Poems, Stories and Essays by Maya Angelou, Alice Walker, Audre Lourde, Bell Hooks, June Jordon, Sonia Sanchez and more.

Black Nationalism and the Revolution in Music by Frank Kofsky
Collected Short Stories of Charles W. Chesnutt
Selected Poems of Langston Hughes

Let the Trumpet Sound: The Life of Martin Luther King
A Testament of Hope: The Essential Writings of Martin Luther King
Malcolm X Speaks
The Autobiography of Malcolm X
W.E.B. Dubois Speaks

Nelson Mandela, The Struggle is My Life; Biko by Donald Woods

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Februar Highlights

Celebrate Black History Month

In celebration of Black History Month La Peña presents an exiciting series of programs that highlight the diversity of African based culture. On Sun. Feb. 2, Oxumaré performs Afro-Brazilian dance; on Thur. Feb. 6, Belinda Sullivan, storyteller extraordinaire, shares her fanciful tales; on Wed. Feb. 19 the Cuban film"The Last Supper" ; on Sun. Feb. 23 the songs of Chic Street Man and Street Sounds; and finally on Friday Feb. 28 Black Poets with Attitudes.

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Friday 28 • 8pm

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Direct from Chile!
Schwenke and Nilo
Friday 21 • 8pm

Schwenke & Nilo burst into the popular new song movement in Chile in 1979. Since then, they have occupied an important place in the "underground" and popular production of art together with other exponents of this movement such Eduardo Peralta and Santiago del Nuevo Extremo. What stands out from their prolific repertoire is the freshness of its language. Theirs are songs that go directly from the heart to the mind. Schwenke & Nilo have shown their ability to create a beauty that is highly ethical and a true part of the cultural heritage of Chile.

February Art Exhibit from Cuba

Silkscreens from Taller de Serigrafía Portocarrero of Havana, Cuba. Exhibit sponsored by Taller Sin Fronteras.

La Peña is a bilingual multicultural center open seven nights a week for concerts, films, dances, classes, and grassroots fundraising events. Since 1975 La Peña has relied on support from the community in the form of volunteer work and contributions. Without this support we could not exist. La Peña is a non-profit tax-exempt organization. We urge everyone who appreciates our programs to make a donation to help La Peña continue its work as a center of progressive culture. **¡Que viva La Peña!**

❑ Enclosed is my tax-deductible donation of $_____ to support La Peña and to receive the monthly calendar of events.

❑ Please send me the calendar of events for one year ($2 minimum donation, actual cost to La Peña is $7)

❑ I would like to become a La Peña bill-of-the-month supporter.
Enclosed is my first monthly pledge of $ (minimum monthly pledge $5)

❑ I am interested in volunteering at La Peña. Please contact me.

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Since 1975, more than 350 community groups have used our facilities. The use ofour space by these organizations does not mean that La Peña endorses the views presented. La Peña feels that it is important to help stimulate an environment conducive to discussion and understanding among different peoples.

Classes & Workshops
La Peña is proud to offer free Latin American music workshops sponsored by the California Arts Council Artist-in-Residence Program and La Peña. Enrollment in all classes is limited. Permission from instructor is required to enroll in classes. For more information, call Earthlyn at 849-2572, M-F, 1 - 5 pm.

• **Introduction to Venezuelan Cuatro**
(Tuesday, 6:00 - 7:30 pm) Open. Instructor: Jackeline Rago. Free

Intermediate/Advance Venezuelan Cuatro (Technique)
(continuing students only) (Tuesday, 7:30 - 9:30 pm) Free

• **Introduction to Afro-Cuban Rhythms**
(Thursday, 5:30 - 7:30 pm) Instructor: Guillermo Céspedes. Free

• **Intermediate Afro-Venezuelan Percussion**
(Monday, 5:30 -7:30 pm) Open. Instructor: Jackeline Rago. Free

• **Advanced Afro-Venezuelan Percussion Ensemble**
(continuing students only) (Monday, 7:30-9:30pm) Free

• **Beginning Bongo Workshop**
(Wednesday 5:30-6:30 pm) Open. Instructor: Jackeline Rago. Free

• **Advanced Bongo Workshop**
(continuing students only) (Wednesday, 6:30-7:30 pm) Free

• **Cuban Music Ensemble Playing**
(continuing students only) (Monday, 5 - 10 pm) Free

• **Montuno, Tumbao, Martillo y Clave** open to bongo players, pianists, bassists and other instrumentalists interested in basics of ensemble playing. (On alternate Tuesdays, 4:30 - 6 pm)
Instructor: Guillermo Céspedes. Free

• **Latin American Chorus**
(basses and tenors needed) (Tuesday, 8-10 pm) Open.
Instructor: Rafael Manríquez. Free

• **Latin American String Ensemble of Chorus**
(continuing student only) (Tuesday, 6-7 pm) Free.

• **Beginning Latin American Guitar Styles**
(continuing students only) (Thursday, 7:30pm-8:30 pm) Free.

• **Intermediate Latin American Guitar**
(Thursday, 8:30-9:30 pm) Open. Instructor Rafael Manríquez. Free

• **Advanced Latin American Guitar**
(Thursday, 9:30-10:30 pm) Open. Instructor: Rafael Manríquez. Free

• **Songs and Games from Around the World**
Ages 4 - 6: Tuesday, 3pm-4pm Closed.
Ages 7 - 10: Tuesday, 4:14pm - 5:15pm Closed
Instructors: Nancy Raven and Jackeline Rago Free.

• **Salsa and Afro-Cuban Dance**

Salsa dance lessons with Linda Arizona. Sat. 2-3pm Afro-Cuban dance with Linda Arizona and Jesús Díaz.

• **Brazilian Percussion and Dance**

Fun rhythm theory and practice classes with Fernando Sanjines.11am-1pm Dance classes with Elvira Cola, artistic director of Mexe-Mexe. Noon to 1pm. Fee: $7/class, $30/5 classes
For more information call 510-525-2574

• **Brazilian Guitar**
Bossa nova and samba. Enjoy Brazilian rhythms with Brazilian guitar instructor, Mauro Correa. Fridays 6-7pm Fee requested. For more info. call 652-2008. All levels accepted.

¡Spanish Classes Forming!

Due to space limitations, Spanish classes will be in the mornings. Two groups will be forming: beginners and intermediate. Sessions last 6 weeks and meet twice a week. Instructor is a native speaker and an experienced teacher. For class information and enrollment call 849-2568 and leave message.

Bay Area Anti-Apartheid Network

The Bay Area Anti-Apartheid Network meets regularly on the second Saturday of each month from 10am to 1pm in La Peña's Community Meeting Room.

23 Contingent to Cuba

The Venceremos Brigade is recruiting now for brigadistas from April 22-May 6, 1992 (limited to 150 nationally). This contingent is especially for organizers committed to building the Cuban solidarity movement. Come live and work with Cubans, and experience Cuba's reality firsthand. The costs is $950-$1,200 sliding scale (includes all transportation, meals and accommodations), a limited number of partial scholarships are available. For more information contact the Venceremos Brigade, PO Box 7071, Oakland, CA 94601 or call (415) 267-0606

New Arrivals at La Tienda

SONGBOOKS/CANCIONEROS de Silvio Rodriquez y Pablo Milanes!

Libros en Español: 1492 - 1992 La Interminable Conquista, varios autores:Gioccanda Belli, Tomas Borge, Rigoberta Menchu, Silvio Rodriguez y mas; Una Tragedia Campesina; Alejandro Bendaña, 500 Años, Holocausto o Descubrimiento; A Donde Va Nicaragua, Perspectivas de una Revolucion Latinoamericana , Oscar Rene Vargas (1991); El Recurso del Miedo, Ensayo Sobre El Estado y el Terror en Guatemala, Carlos Figueroa Ibarra (1991); Organización, Identidad y Cambio, Las Campesinas en Nicaragua, Paola Perez Aleman; Protestantismos y Procesos Sociales en Centroamerica;

Books in English: A Decade of War: El Salvador Confronts the Future Eds. Anjali Sundaram & George Gelbek (1991); Central America Inside Out: The Essential Guide to Its Societies, Politics and Economics, Tom Barry (1991); The Battle for Guatemala, Suzanne Jonas (1991); A Forest of Kings: The Untold Story of the Ancient Maya, Cocaine Politics, Drugs, Armies and the CIA in Central America, Peter Dale Scott and Jonathan Marshall; Lakota Women, Mary Crow Dog; Spider Woman's Granddaughter; Women on Women, An Anthropology of American Lesbian Short Fiction, How the Garcia Girls Lost their Accents, & more!

New Recordings from Cuba including Los Karachi, Miriam Bayard, Pancho El Bravo, Grupo Sierra Maestra, AfroCuba, Orquesta Revé, Los Van Van, Irakere y mas!